

# LEGISLATIVE MILL GRINDS.

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short by this method, but Senator A. L. Watts, former private secretary to Senator Simmons, had the last word before the vote was taken by saying "I am personally acquainted with Mr. Thompson, have seen him work and I know that he will do twice as much as two ordinary stenographers and Governor Craig would not be governor if he had to separate with Mr. Thompson."

Senator W. J. Hannah, of Waynesville, has introduced a bill, requiring officers paying money to the county treasurer for school funds to take a duplicate receipt and file the same with the county superintendent of the board of education, violations being subjects to a penalty of \$200, one-half of which will go to the school fund and the other half to the prosecutor. The bill applies to the whole State.

Representative A. L. Martin, of Cherokee county, has introduced a bill providing for the election of three highway commissioners for the Marble road district, who under the present law are appointed by the General Assembly.

Representative Martin has also introduced a bill designed to validate election and qualification of a highway commission in Valleytown township. The three commissioners failed to qualify within the time limited.

The words "wild cats" brought forth a ripple of applause throughout the House when Representative R. L. Phillips introduced a bill prohibiting the paying of a premium for the killing of wolves, panthers, and wild cats in Graham county. He has also introduced a bill to abolish the office of county treasurer in Graham county.

Representative G. P. Ferguson has introduced a bill to correct the calls of state grants in Swain county and Representative P. H. Mashburn, of McDowell county, has introduced a similar bill to amend and correct calls in grant No. 500 from State William Allison, now owned by W. J. Southern, to make calls correspond to grant.

Representative Mashburn has also sent forth a bill designed to change the road tax law of McDowell county, making the provision that not more than twenty cents shall be levied while the law provides that this amount shall be levied. Another bill of his makes provision for the county commissioners to meet three days, if necessary, instead of two days each month.

Representative Charles B. Deaver has introduced a bill for a non-stock law in the mountainous section of Transylvania county, which means that

Representative J. P. Patton now has some interesting bills under the consideration of committees to which they were referred. One bill would repeal the Judge Ewart law relative to game. The present law prohibits the killing of opossums, wild cats and moles during a certain season, while Mr. Patton's bill provides that such animals can be killed at any season, others being huntable game from November 15 to March 15. Another repeal is sought in a bill introduced by Mr. Patton providing for the killing of quail from November 15 till January. Ewart's bill restricted such hunting to the month of January. Another bill of Mr. Patton's would repeal the act incorporating the town of Ripley, a suburb of Hendersonville.

A committee has under consideration a bill of Representative L. H. McClure concerning the game law of Clay county. His bill provides that during the hunting season in his county hunters of that county not owning land must pay a special hunting tax and hunters without the state coming to that county must pay the highest hunting license of all, which amounts to \$10 a season.

Representative J. A. Bolich of Polk county has introduced a bill making pistol "toting" not such a fascinating habit after all as the "toter" if caught in the habit of the act would be subject to a \$50 fine.

Representative M. D. Wike through a bill introduced would authorize Jackson county officers to pay James M. Price's hospital and medical bill.

Representative J. Frank Ray, of Macon county, has sent forth a bill providing for the compulsory attendance of children between the ages of eight and fourteen years in the common schools of the State. Another bill of Mr. Ray's would relieve the sheriff and tax collector of Macon county.

Representative Deaver has a bill to authorize the town of Brevard to issue bonds for Water works and sewerage purposes.

A bill of Representative Gallatin Roberts of Asheville, would regulate weight and measures.

If a bill is enacted as introduced by Representative R. R. Williams, of Asheville, a complete record will be preserved of all births and deaths in North Carolina. Mr. Williams has another bill to amend Section 1066 of the Revisal of 1905 to give additional powers to the corporation commission, and another to amend Chapter 445 of the Public Laws of 1909 relating to taxes on automobiles.

He has had three bills to go through the big mill without a hitch and the relief one would give has already been made.

It provided for a railing in the House of Representatives to protect the representative on the rear seats from the pressing crowds, non-members, who gathered in the House chamber and while absorbed in the proceedings of the legislation forgot all about the law makers and almost pressed them out of their seats. Mr. Williams' bill providing for Asheville's board of aldermen to issue bonds not exceeding \$200,000 to fund its floating indebtedness has passed the House and Senate, and is now a law. The bonds will bear interest not exceeding 5 per cent, payable semi-annually.

A joint resolution by Mr. Williams authorized the printing of 2,000 copies of the inaugural address of Governor Craig.

Representative Wike has a bill to authorize the commissioners of Jackson county to levy a special tax to meet the general indebtedness of the county, and for other purposes. Another bill of his would repeal Chapter 267 of the Public Laws of 1909 relat-

ing to the dumping of sawdust into the streams of Jackson county.

Representative Phillips' bill would regulate the sale of real estate for taxes in Graham county.

Of State-Wide Importance.

A bill carrying the provisions of the Torrens land title system was introduced by Senator Daniel of Halifax Monday.

Several bills of State-wide importance have been introduced during the last few days among them being that of Senator Hobgood of Guilford to give boards of education in each county the power to establish kindergarten schools for children over four years old. It provides that the instructor must bear a diploma from a recognized kindergarten school showing that she has spent two years therein.

Representative Stewart of Mecklenburg would punish hazers in college with twelve months imprisonment.

Senator Hobgood is the author of a bill providing for the registration of all births and deaths in North Carolina, a practice now followed by certain cities in the State.

A bill by Senator Phillips of Davidson provides for the working of State prisoners on the public roads, this act to interfere in no way with present law relating to the sentencing of prisoners to work on the roads under control of county authorities. Another bill by Senator Phillips would authorize the levy of fifty cents per horse power on automobiles, the proceeds to be applied to road building. A resolution introduced by him advocates the sale of the State farm, the proceeds to be applied to the upbuilding of schools and roads. Representative Griffin has introduced similar bills in the House.

Senator Thorne of Nash has a bill for the incorporation and establishment of a Confederate Woman's home in the State and asks for an appropriation therefor.

Senator Little of Wake has a bill providing for the payment of \$18 annually to the inmates of the Soldiers' Home at Raleigh.

Representative Faircloth's bill would require railroads to carry drinking cups or drinking glasses for sale on the trains since the recent inauguration of the plan of carrying plenty of drinking water but not vessels whereby it may be conveyed to the thirsty.

Representative E. J. Justice, of Greensboro, has introduced several important bills, one of which provides for an amendment to the constitution of the State so as to secure to the people the initiative and referendum. He has an anti-trust bill, with some ugly, gnarled teeth that would confer upon the attorney general powers similar to those possessed by the department of justice of the United States. It would make unlawful contracts or combinations or conspiracy in restraint of trade. Any person acting as agent of corporation in violating being guilty as if acting for himself and the fine on any corporation not less than \$1,000.

Representative Clark of Pitt has introduced a bill to submit to the people the question of woman suffrage at the next general election.

Senator T. B. Allen, of Henderson county, started off his legislative program this week by dropping three bills into the hopper Monday. The bill providing for a Western Carolina Training school as introduced in the House did not appear to be grinding out very rapidly so he introduced a similar bill in the Senate. Another bill of his is to amend Chapter 345 of the Public Laws of 1895 in regard to fishing in Mills river and French Broad river. Heretofore persons could fish in accordance with the law only with hook and line. If this bill is ratified fishermen will be allowed to slaughter the piscatorial tribe with gig and seine. The present law has been in effect since 1895. Another bill by Senator Allen provides for the repeal of the dog law put through in 1911 by Judge Ewart. That law, as the lovers of the canine family will undoubtedly remember, obligates all persons to pay a \$1 tax on males and \$1.50 on females, annually, when the dog has reached the age of three months. This tax goes to reimburse those who make claims for loss of sheep killed by dogs, to the county commissioners.

Representative Patton introduced a bill Monday providing for the shooting of wild ducks in Henderson county at all seasons of the year when they can be found. The present law is understood to prohibit the shooting of ducks.

Representative Martin introduced a bill this week prohibiting persons un-

der eighteen years old from entering pool rooms and other places of amusement of this nature in Cherokee county.

Representative Mashburn has introduced a bill to establish Glenwood graded school district in McDowell county.

Of interest to Graham county is the bill introduced Monday by Representative Phillips, providing for the working of the public roads in this county.

Tending to preserve the morals of Buncombe county is a bill introduced this week by Representative Roberts, prohibiting disorderly conduct on public highways or in public places in this county.

A bill introduced this week by Senator Weaver, of Buncombe county, would validate the probate of the will of Mariah Nixon in Burke, McDowell and Yancey counties. Another would validate the probates of certain wills to the year 1880.

A New Drug Store For Hendersonville.

Mr. J. F. Brooks, Hendersonville's second oldest pharmacist in point of experience in his profession, has opened a drug store in the Main street building originally occupied by Dr. F. V. Hunter.

The new store, which has been christened the Brooks Pharmacy, is thoroughly equipped with all modern furnishings and fixtures and a handsome soda fountain will be installed.

Mr. Brooks needs no introduction, since he has been known for many years in Hendersonville commercial circles as an energetic and progressive young business man, whose integrity of character and unfailing courtesy to those with whom he comes in contact, have won for him the confidence and esteem of the public. His wishing the Brooks Pharmacy an era of unbounded success and prosperity.

Hendersonville Becoming Well Advertised Outside The State.

Every day brings new evidence that Hendersonville is becoming well advertised even outside the States. Letters have recently been received by some of the boarding houses here, from a gentleman in Kingston, Ont. Canada, asking for rates of board, etc. And from Mr. C. E. Wilson's letter in another column, it would appear that Hendersonville is receiving due recognition in the far-away Canal Zone. At the rate Hendersonville advertising is being pushed through the efforts of the Greater Western North Carolina Association, the Greater Hendersonville Club, The Western Carolina Democrat and other mediums, one almost dares predict that in the not distant future HENDERSONVILLE will be almost as familiar a household word as NEW YORK. See?

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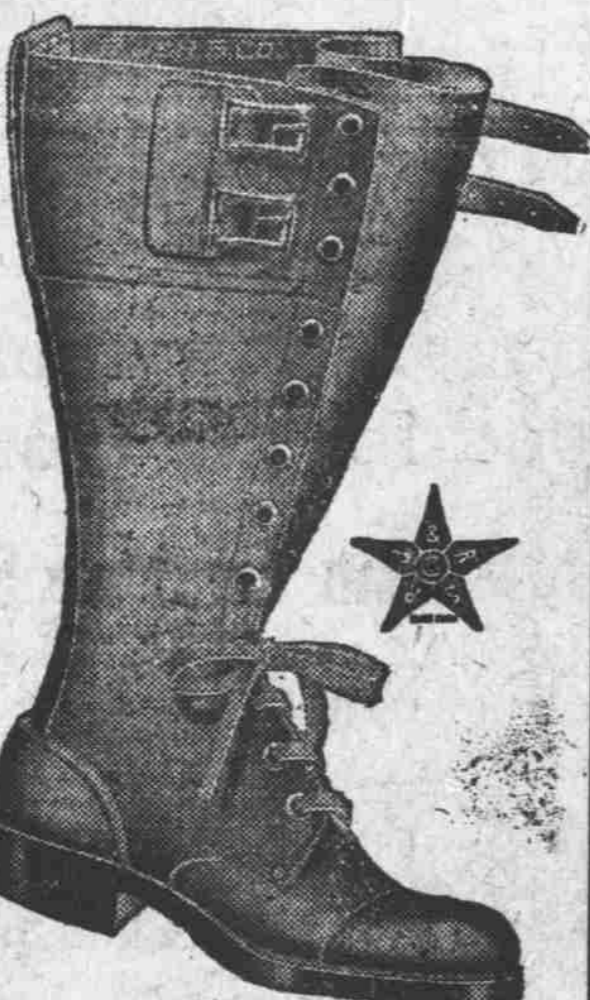
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